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For Sense of Force Imparting Type Input Device)

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Japanese Unexamined Published Patent Application No. 2002-189560 discloses a manual input device having a force-feedback mechanism.

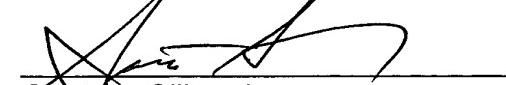
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Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner review the entire disclosure of this document and make it of record.

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